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In re Application of)
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Application No. 09/678,266)
Filed: October 3, 2000)
For: Method and Apparatus for Depositing)
Refractory Metal Layers Employing Sequential)
Deposition Techniques to Form a Nucleation Layer)

DECISION ON REQUEST TO
WITHDRAW FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the request under 37 C.F.R. 1.36, filed by Kenneth C. Brooks on February 22, 2002, to withdraw as an attorney of record.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney of record must be signed by every attorney seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. The request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The request meets the above stated requirements. Accordingly, the request by Kenneth C. Brooks to withdraw as an attorney of record is **APPROVED**.

The request includes an incomplete change of correspondence address for the above identified application. Accordingly, all future communications from the Office will be directed to the correspondence address of record until otherwise notified by the applicant or assignee.

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